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In re Application of: **Norman Clough**

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## LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified new Patent Application:

- 1. Response to Election of Species Requirement (1 page)**

THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED AND IS REQUESTED TO CHARGE ALL FILING FEES DUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.16 AND ALL OTHER FEES DUE UNDER SECTION 1.17 DURING THE PENDENCY OF THIS APPLICATION TO OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 07-1729.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

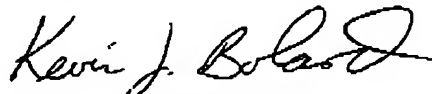
Dear Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement mailed on January 27, 2005, applicant presents the following remarks.

In response to the Election of Species Requirement, applicant hereby elects to pursue the following species: 2A; 3b; 4I; 5ii; and 6BB. Specifically, applicant elects to pursue the species wherein the fluoropolymer is polytetrafluoroethylene, the fishing line does not comprise pigment; the core material has been surface modified; the core material does not include a filler; and the coating does not include a filler. Applicant submits that claims 1-5, 7, 8, 11-18, 22-24, 29, 32-36, 40-47, 49-52, 57, and 60 read on the elected species.

Should the Office have any questions, the Office is invited to telephone applicant's undersigned representative.

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